



# 3D Digitization for Research, Education, and Creativity

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# Goals for Today

- What and why to digitize
- How to digitize – choosing the right path to 3D
- 3D digitization technologies available @ IU
  - 3D Software modeling
  - Hardware-based volumetric
  - Hardware-based surface scanning
  - Software-based photogrammetry
  - Post-processing workflows for all digitization technologies
- 3D digitization in a broader context – a comprehensive workflow
- Results & Applications of 3D digitization
- Conclusions & How to apply 3D digitization to your work



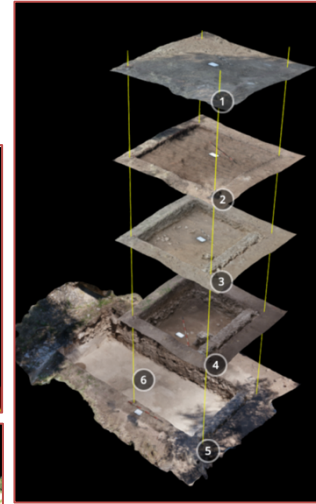
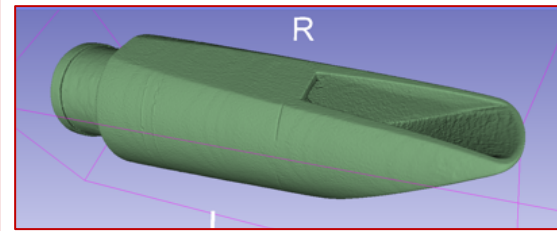
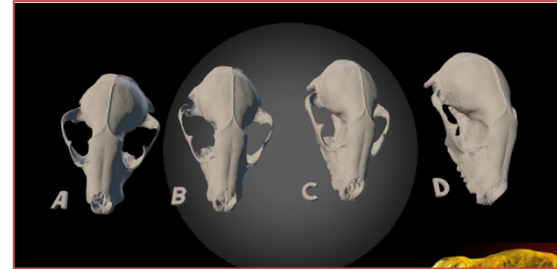


# 3D Digitization – What & Why?

# 3D Digitization – What?

## Common Application Areas

- Cultural Heritage
- Natural History
- Architecture & Design
- Art / Creative Activities
- Engineering
- Medicine & Anatomy
- GIS & Archaeology



# 3D Digitization – Why?

- Digital preservation\* and documentation
  - Rare, valuable and delicate collections (changing by accident or by nature)
  - Time-varying structures and sites (changing on purpose, by humans)
  - \* (supplementing physical preservation)
- Enable novel research or creativity
  - Acquire and analyze geometric or spatial data
  - Creative activities & artistic interpretation
- Easier access and broader dissemination
  - Research & Scholarship
  - Teaching & Learning
  - Community engagement



# 3D Digitization – Why?

*National Museum of Brazil - Sept. 2, 2018*



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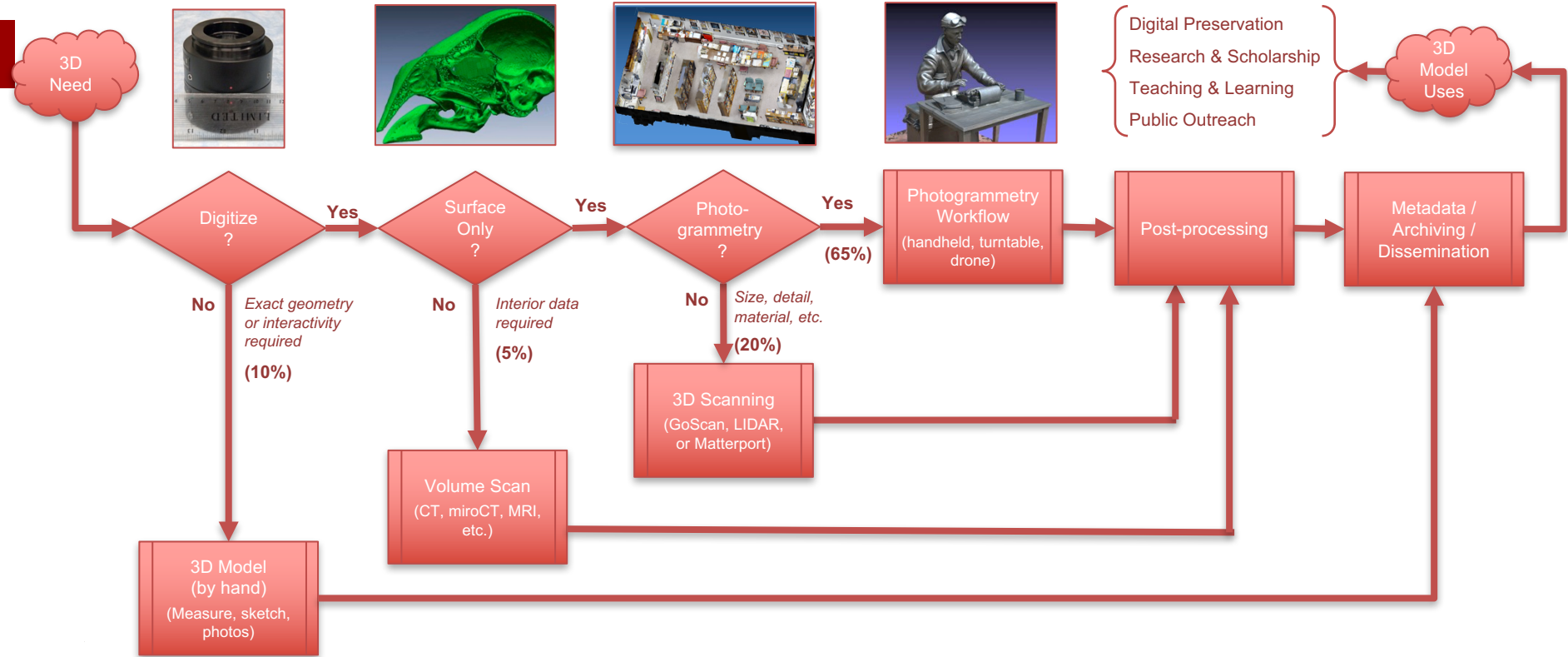
*Cultural Terrorism*



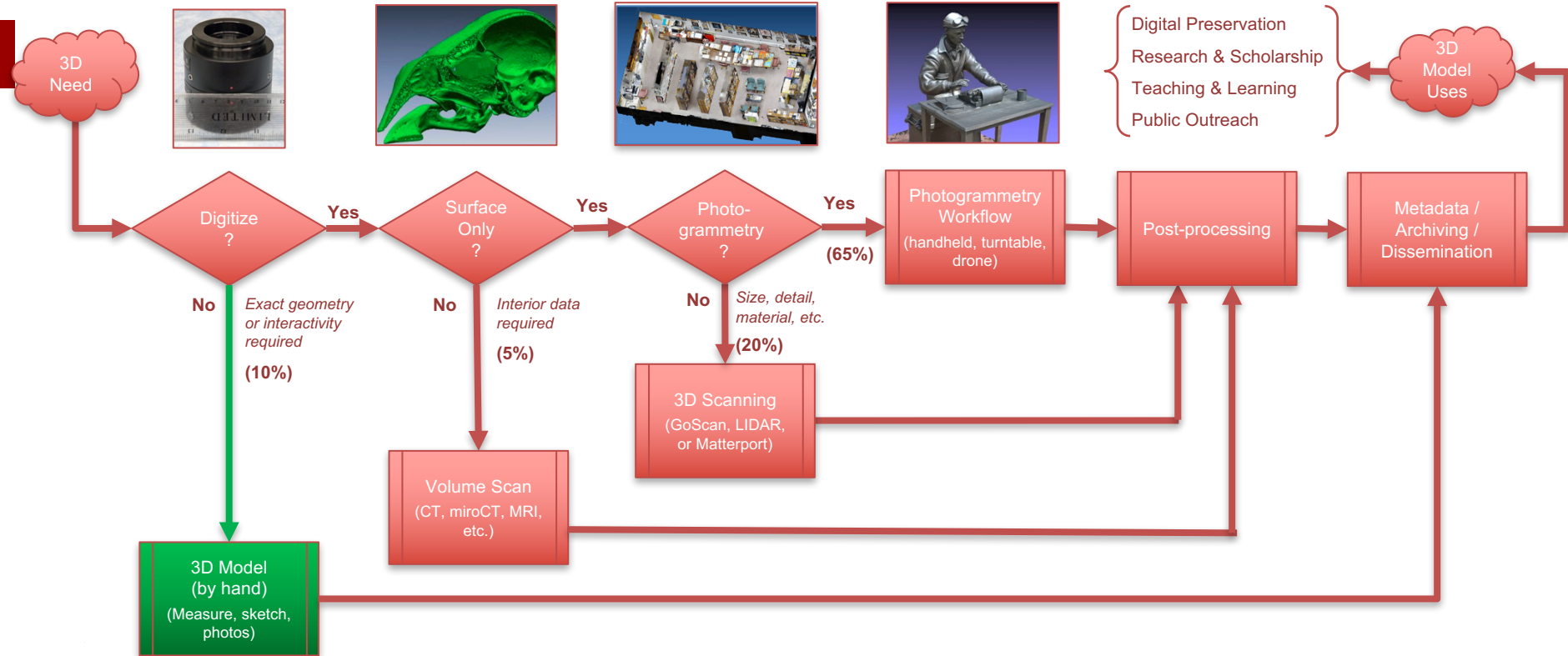
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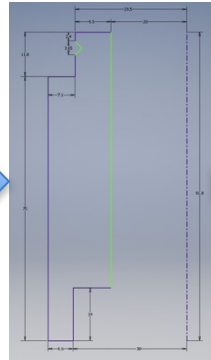


# 3D Modeling Option

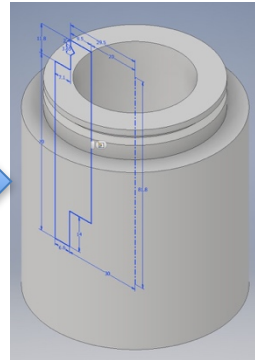
- Measure and model with software tools
- Lots of software options
- Requires skills with select modeling packages
- Example Project: Microscope Lens Extension



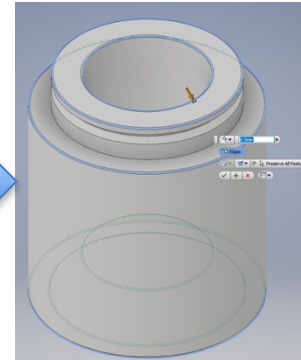
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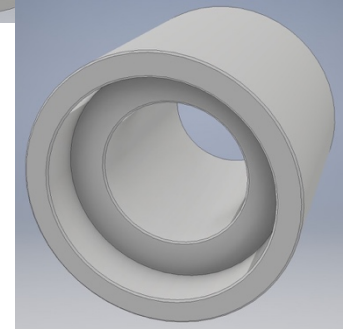
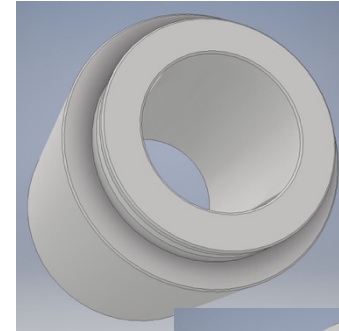
Profile Sketch



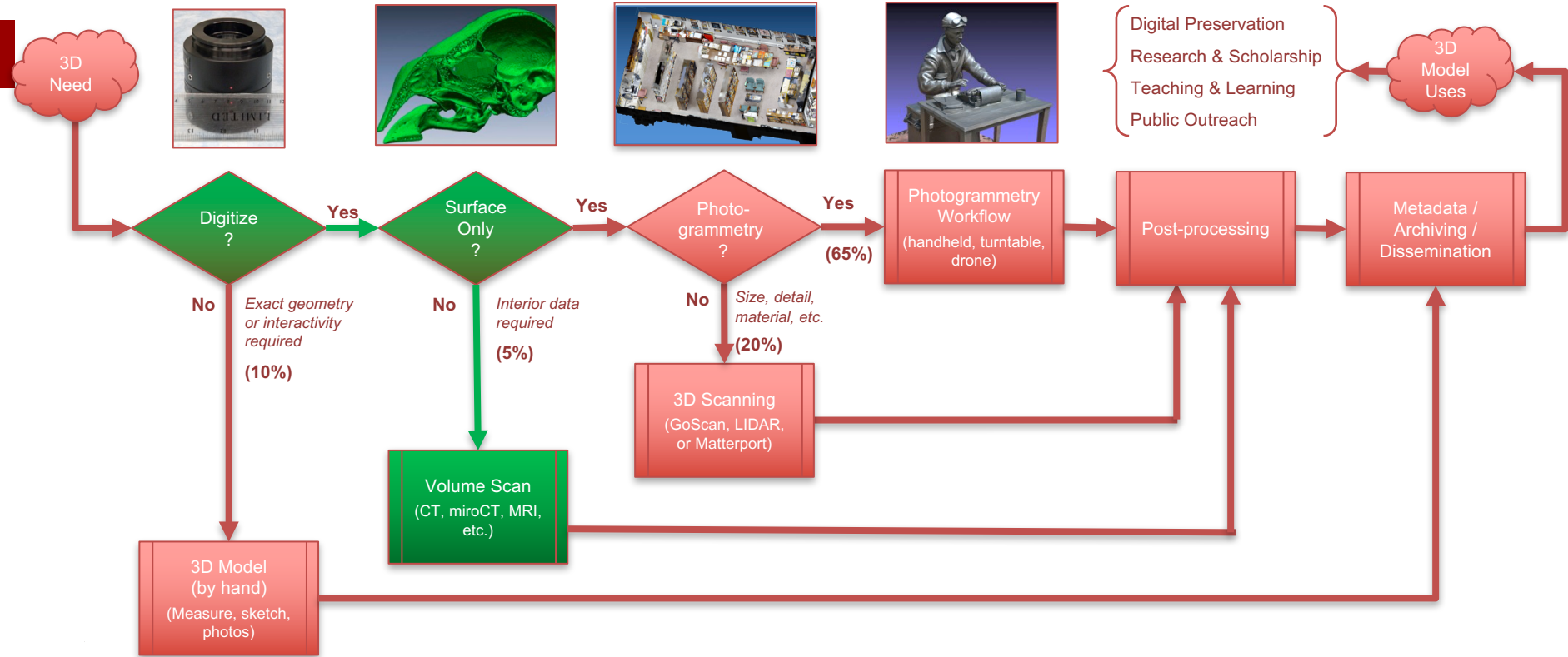
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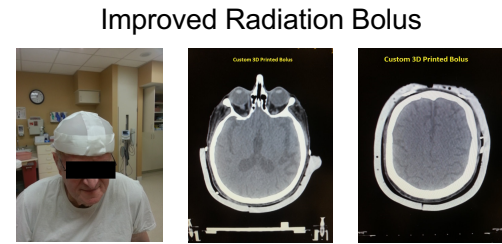
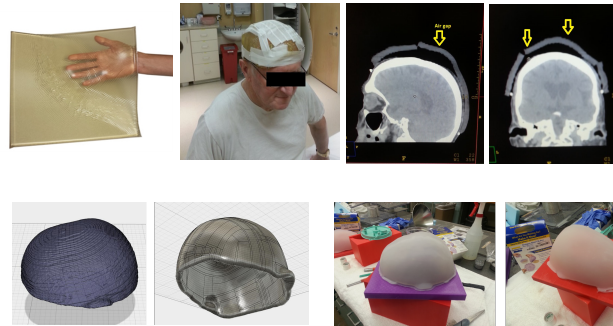
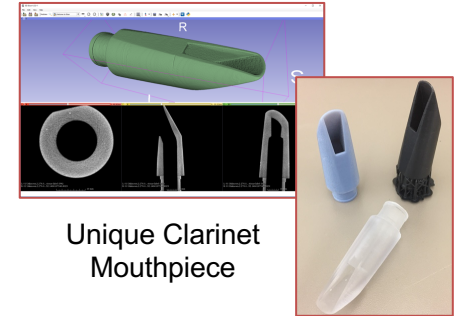
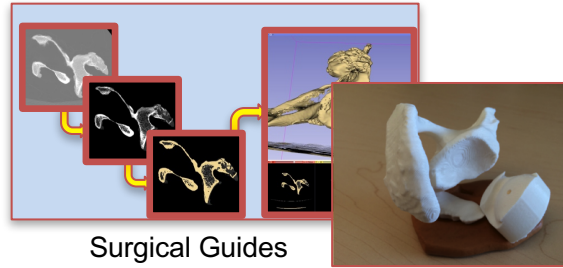


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# Hardware-Based Volumetric Scanning

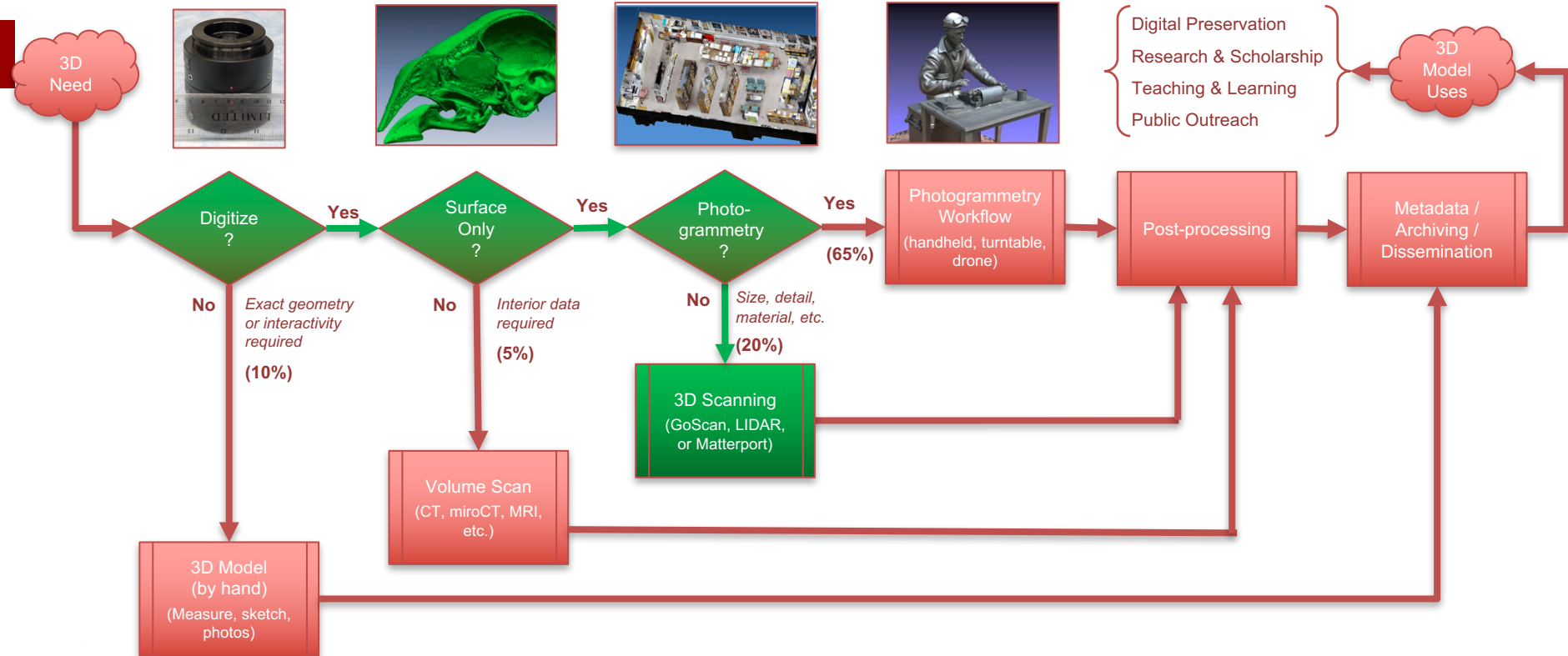
- CT, MicroCT, CBCT, MRI



*Data Capture: Indiana Institute for Biomedical Imaging Sciences - Preclinical Imaging*



# 3D Digitization – How? (Choosing between techniques)



# Hardware-Based Surface Scanning

- Structured light scanners
- Laser time-of-flight scanners
- Specialty for large spaces



Leica LIDAR (> \$50K)



Matterport (\$4K)



NextEngine (\$3K)



Minolta (\$30K)  
(Retired)



3DMD (\$45K)

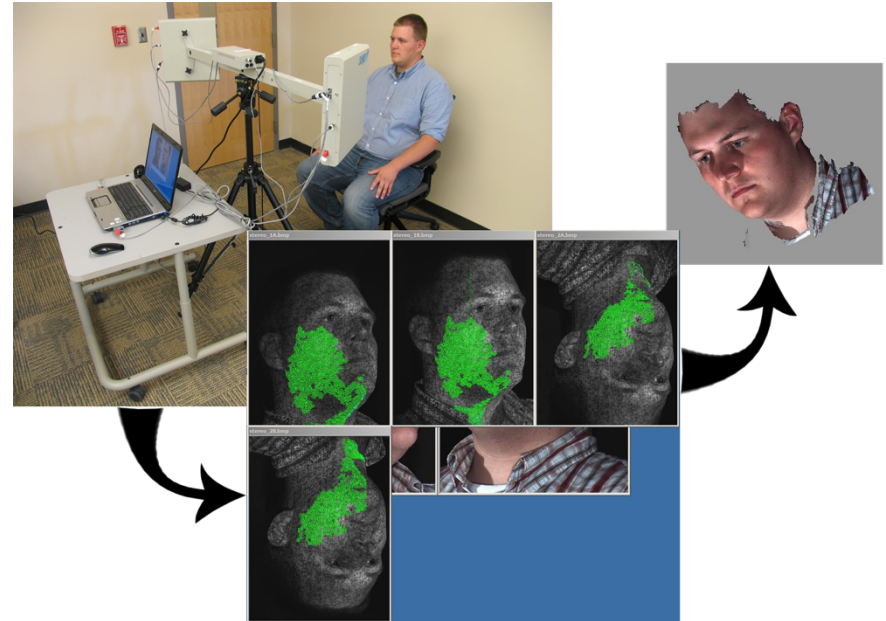


Go!Scan (\$25K)



# 3D Scanning – Collaborative Initiative for FASD

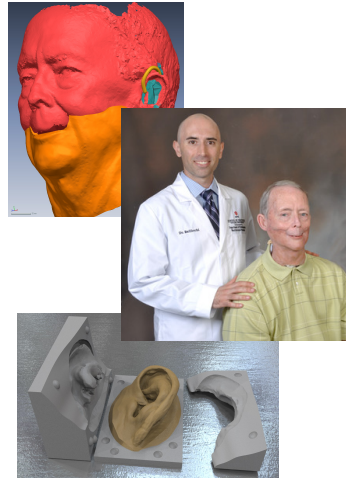
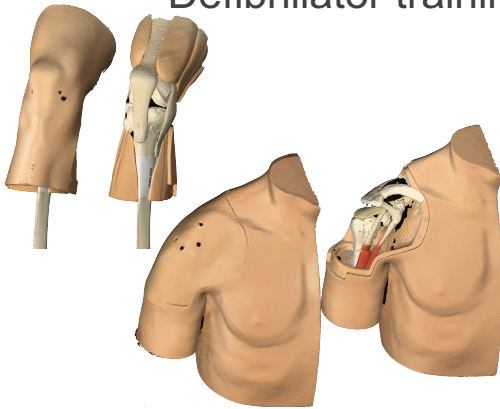
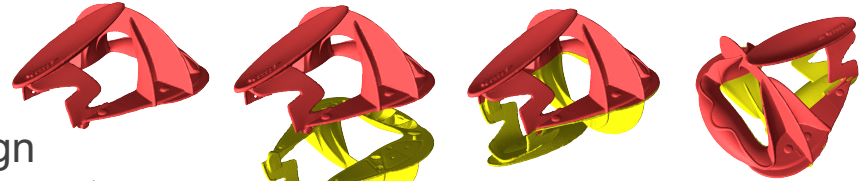
- FASD = Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders
- NIH-NIAAA funded for 15 years
  - 22 partner institutions
  - 6 countries
- 3D facial imaging core led by IU School of Medicine & RT
  - Locations across US & the world
  - Over 5,000 patients scanned
  - Many longitudinal subjects





# Example Projects

- Analysis, Redesign, Repurpose
  - Swim trainer reconstruct and redesign
  - Surgery training equipment enhancement
  - Travis Bellicchi and the “Shirley Method” for Prosthodontics
  - Engine pushrod analysis
  - Defibrillator training app



# LIDAR scanning example

- Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church (Indianapolis)
- IUPUI School of Informatics and Computing Project – Zeb Wood, et. al.
- <https://comet.soic.iupui.edu/bethel/index.php/>



*LIDAR reference scan*



*3D modeled reconstruction*



*with materials & textures*

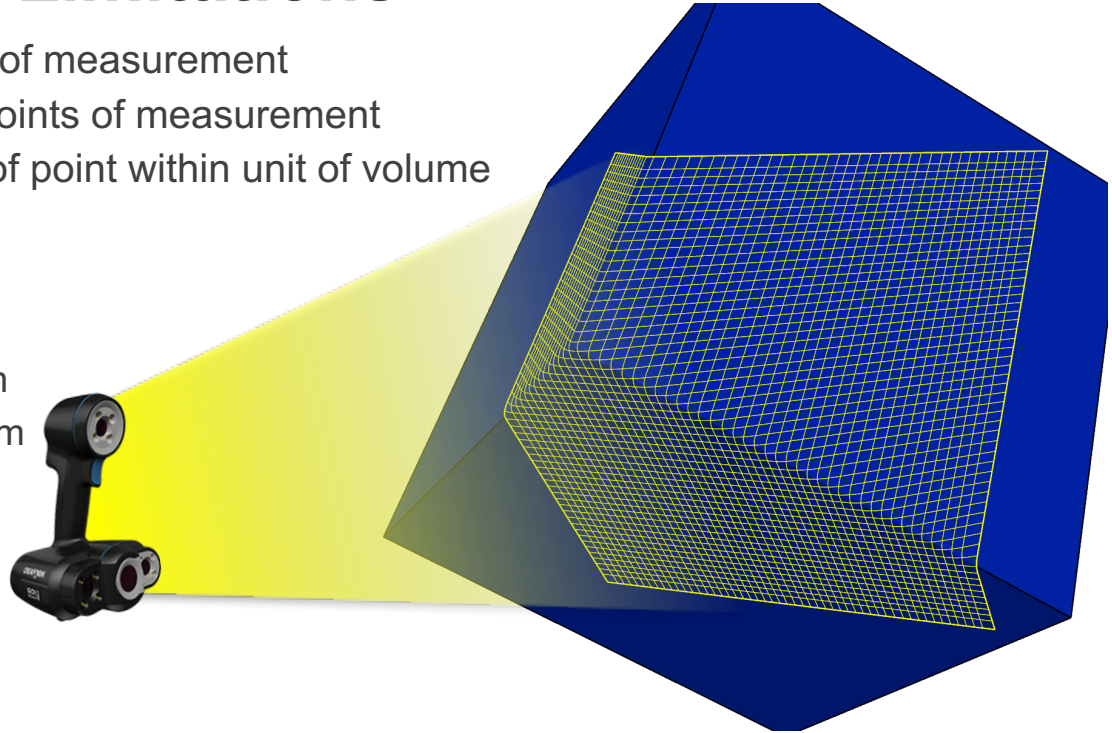
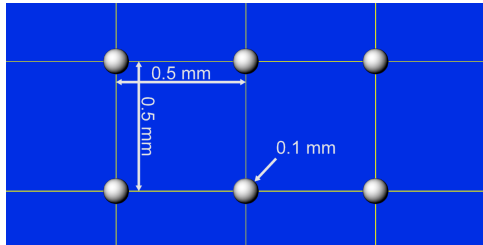




# Hardware-Based 3D Scanning

## Understanding the Limitations

- Accuracy: Certainty at the point of measurement
- Resolution: Distance between points of measurement
- Volumetric Accuracy: Certainty of point within unit of volume
- Example:
  - Creaform Go!Scan 50
  - Accuracy: 0.1 mm
  - Resolution: 0.5 mm maximum
  - Volumetric accuracy: 0.3mm/m



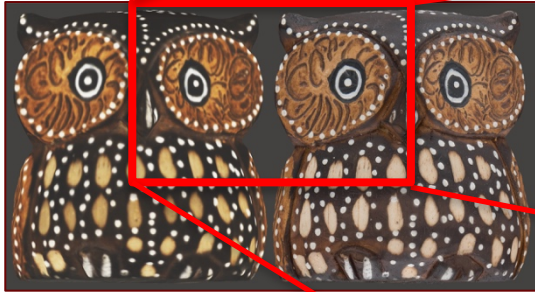
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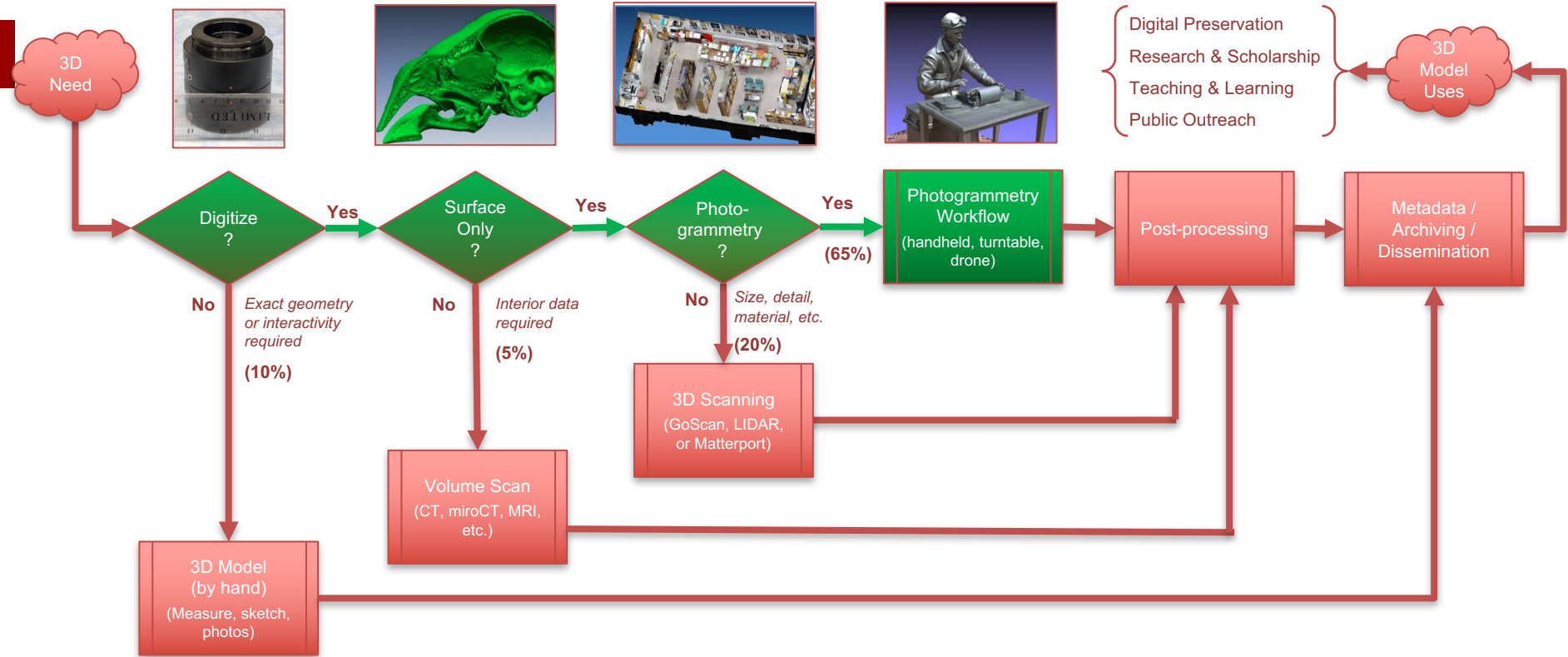
- Hardware Scalability
- Limited Color

**Scanning**

**Photogrammetry**



# 3D Digitization – How? (Choosing between techniques)



# Software-based Photogrammetry

- A method for extracting three-dimensional (3D) models or measurements of an object, environment, or terrain from a set of standard two-dimensional (2D) photographs
- Applicable to a broad range of academic disciplines, including cultural heritage, architecture, paleontology, and geospatial
- Results in high computational complexity and large data sizes



# Photogrammetry – General Workflow



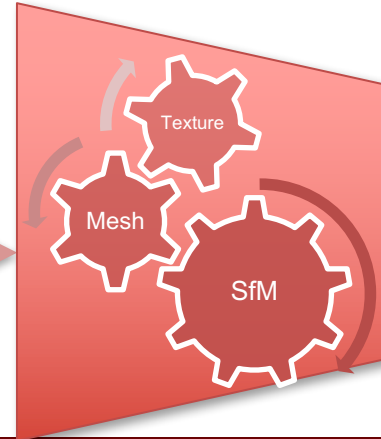
Life-size bronze statue  
(by Tuck Langland)

300+ photographs  
capturing all angles  
and details



Texture-mapped 3D model

Photogrammetry  
& 3D post-processing  
workflows





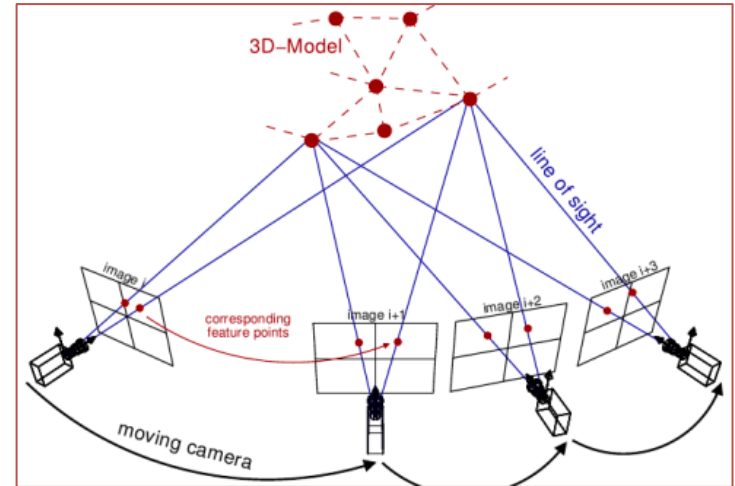
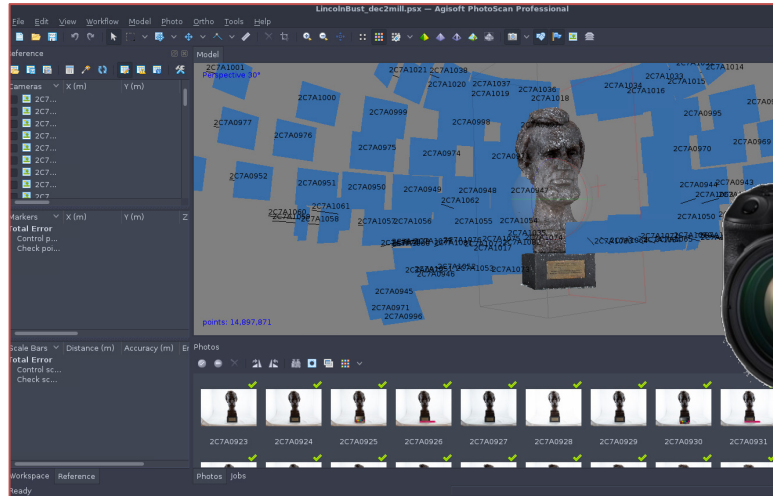
# Photogrammetry – A word about photography

- Supports many types of cameras & rigs
- Key issues:
  - Quality
  - Coverage
  - Consistency
  - Lighting
  - Background
- Can work with video and integrate depth image data



# Photogrammetry for Surface Reconstruction

- Capture series of 2D images
- Use structure from motion techniques to extract 3D surface points



[www.wur.nl](http://www.wur.nl)

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- Cultural Heritage
  - Ruth Lilly Medical Library & Leo J. McCarthy Collection
  - Treasures of the Lilly Library
  - IU Bronze Statues & other IU artifacts





# Scalable Photogrammetry

## Why HPC for Photogrammetry?

- Algorithm complexity → hours-days of computation for small-medium photo sets; weeks for larger data sets on a good workstation

### Coordinates:

$(X, Y, Z)$  - point in the local camera space

$(u, v)$  - projected point in the image plane

$w, h$  - image width and height

### Camera:

$f$  - focal length

$c_x, c_y$  - principal point offset

$K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4$  - radial distortion coefficients

$P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4$  - tangential distortion coeffs

$B_1, B_2$  - affinity and non-orthogonality coeffs

Solve these systems of equations for every point on every photos in photo set:

$$x = X / Z$$

$$y = Y / Z$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$x' = x(1 + K_1 r^2 + K_2 r^4 + K_3 r^6 + K_4 r^8) + (P_1 (r^2 + 2x^2) + 2P_2 xy) (1 + P_3 r^2 + P_4 r^4)$$

$$y' = y(1 + K_1 r^2 + K_2 r^4 + K_3 r^6 + K_4 r^8) + (P_2 (r^2 + 2y^2) + 2P_1 xy) (1 + P_3 r^2 + P_4 r^4)$$

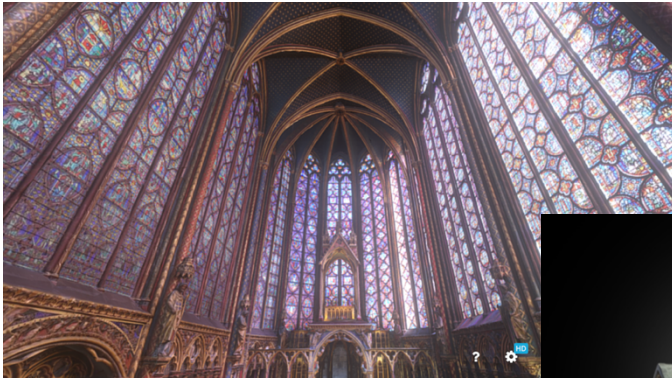
$$u = w * 0.5 + c_x + x'f + x'B_1 + y'B_2$$

$$v = h * 0.5 + c_y + y'f$$

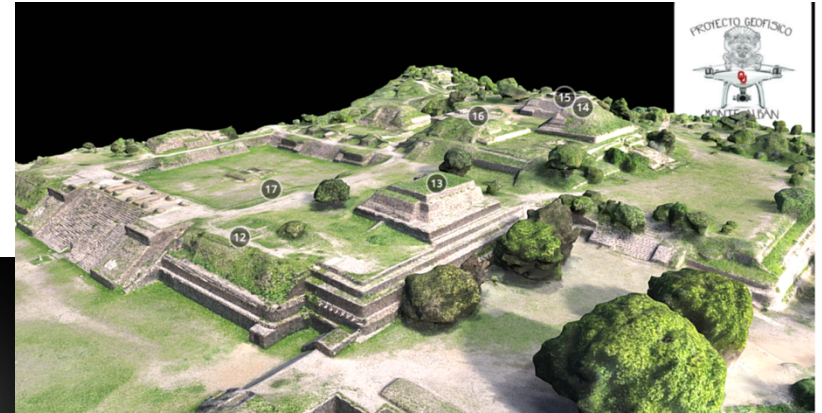


# Scalable Photogrammetry

Large objects & spaces → very large number of photos



Architectural Interiors & Exteriors  
(Matthew Brennan)  
→ ~300-1000+ photos each



Monte Albán Geophysical  
Archaeology Project  
(Alex Badillo)  
→ 14,000+ photos  
→ ~30 compute hours

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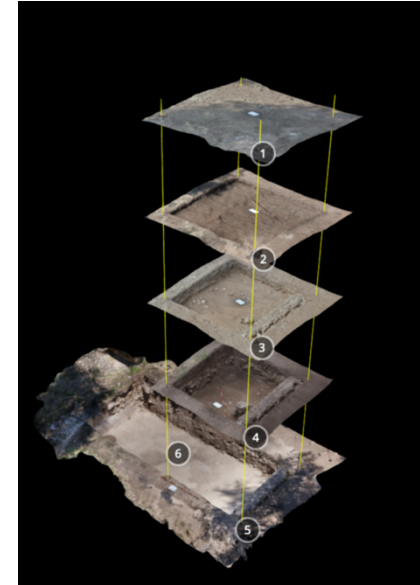
Large collections → many, many data sets



IU Center for Biological Research  
Collections (Gary Motz)  
→ 2M+ objects, 100K+ unique



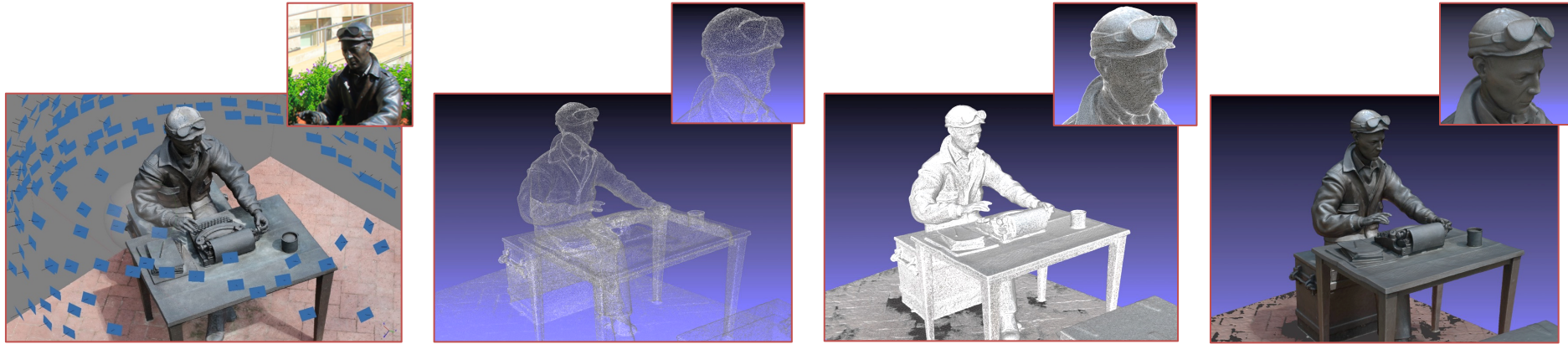
IU Virtual World Heritage Lab  
(Bernie Frischer, M. Brennan, et. al.)  
→ Uffizi, other statuary  
→ archaeological recreations



Cosa Archaeological Site  
(Matthew Brennan)  
→ Temporal series



# Photogrammetry Processing – Steps



1. Align  
photos &  
generate point  
cloud



2. Build dense  
point cloud



3. Build mesh



4. Build texture



# Photogrammetry Software

## Commercial

- PhotoScan by Agisoft
- Reality Capture by CapturingReality
- 3DF Zephyr by 3DFlow
- Autodesk ReCap / ReMake / Memento
- etc.

## Open source

- Multi-View Environment (MVE)
- Multiple View Stereovision (OpenMVS)
- Open Multiple View Geometry (OpenMVG)
- Visual Structure From Motion (VisualSFM)
- COLMAP
- MicMac
- Alicevision Meshroom

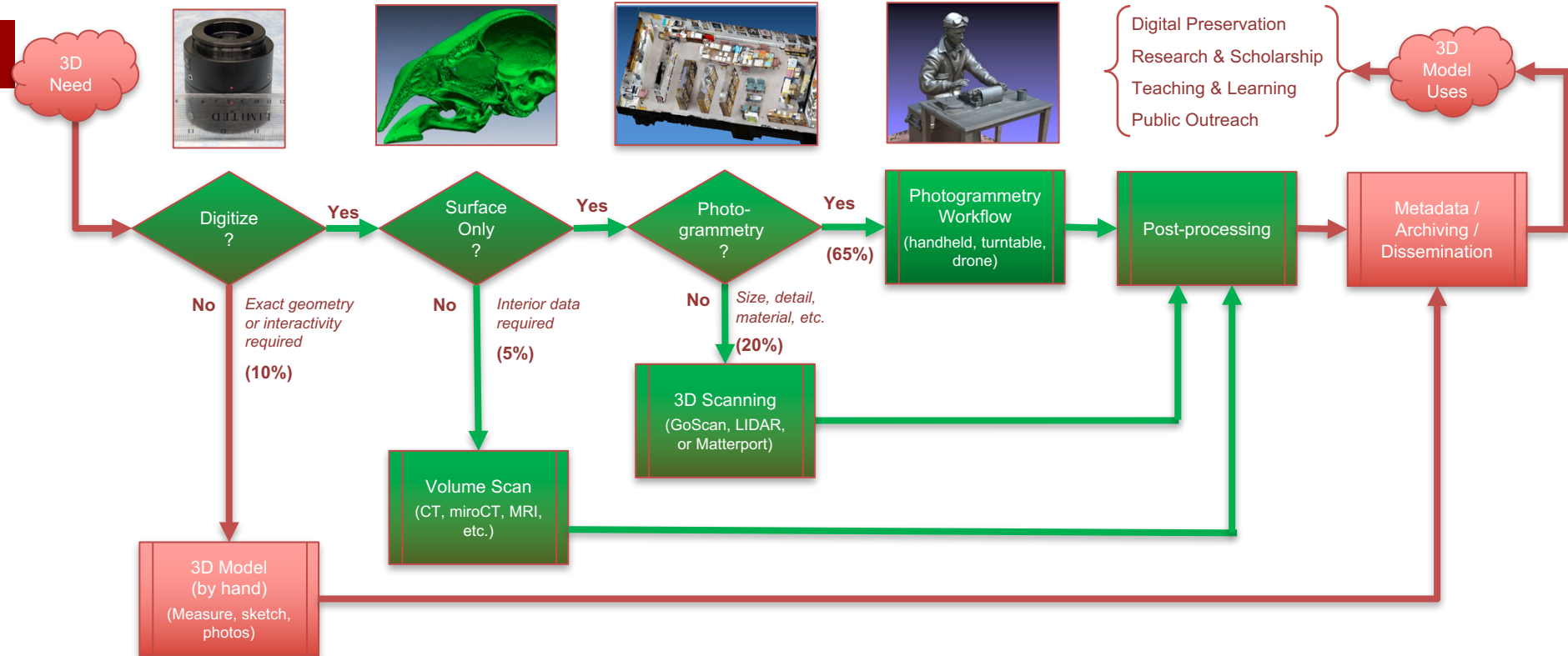


# Comparing 3D Digitization Options

Surface Scanning	Photogrammetry	Volumetric Scanning
<p>Pros</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greater spatial accuracy (&lt;1mm)</li> <li>• Less time on site</li> <li>• Real-time feedback on quality</li> <li>• Less post-processing time</li> <li>• Less chance of user error/failed scan</li> </ul>	<p>Pros</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Affordable equipment</li> <li>• Highly portable</li> <li>• Underwater and aerial (drone) compatible</li> <li>• Potential to reprocess for greater accuracy</li> <li>• Better color capture</li> <li>• Potential for more detail capture</li> <li>• Scalable</li> </ul>	<p>Pros</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Captures internal structures</li> <li>• Very high resolution (~9um)</li> </ul>
<p>Cons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expensive equipment</li> <li>• Must upgrade equipment to achieve future gains</li> </ul>	<p>Cons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lower spatial accuracy</li> <li>• Lengthy, computationally expensive post-processing (<b>getting faster</b>)</li> <li>• Challenges of processing in the field (laptop)</li> <li>• Potential inadequacy/failure of photo set</li> <li>• More time on site</li> </ul>	<p>Cons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Costly scan</li> <li>• Cumbersome Isosurfacing</li> <li>• Some materials cause noise</li> <li>• Size limitations</li> <li>• Object must be brought to scanner</li> </ul>



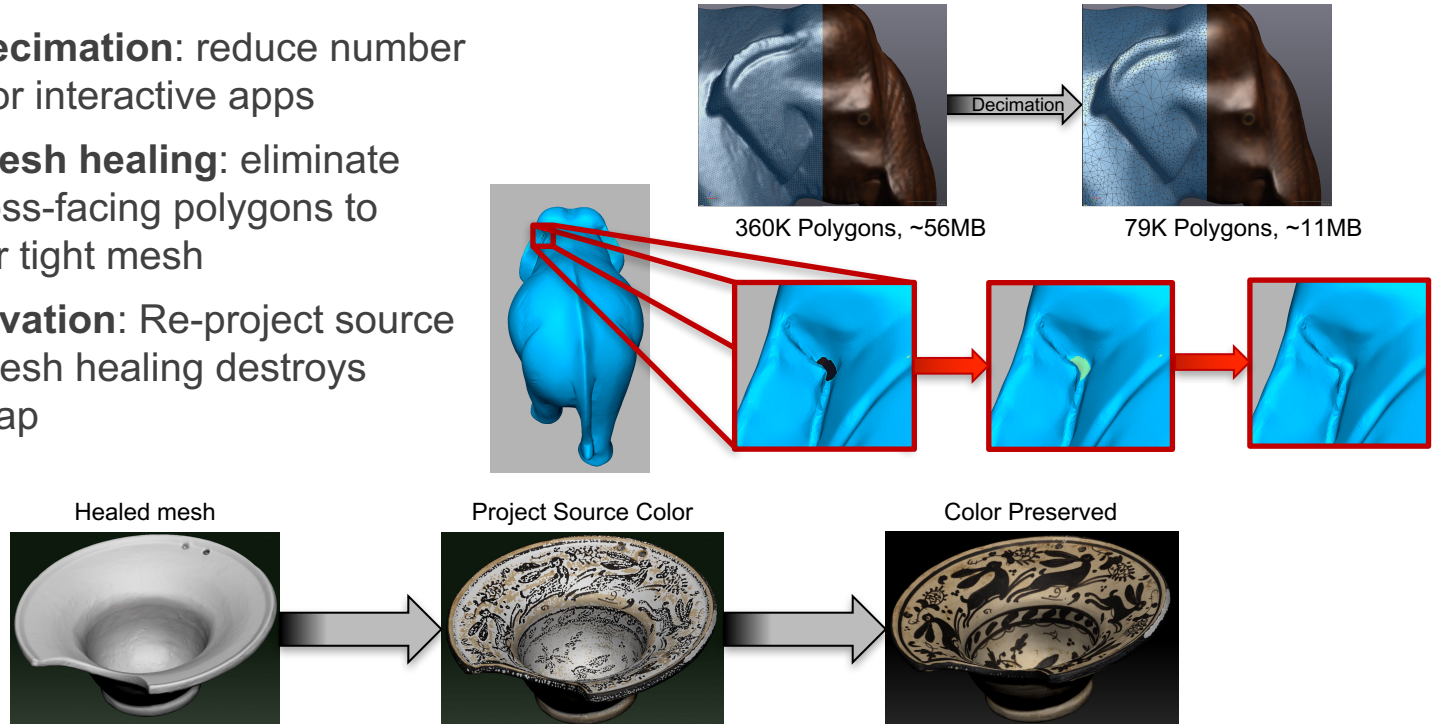
# 3D Digitization – How? (Post-Processing)





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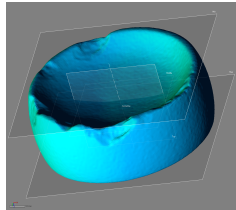
- **Polygonal decimation:** reduce number of polygons for interactive apps
- **Polygonal mesh healing:** eliminate holes and cross-facing polygons to achieve water tight mesh
- **Color preservation:** Re-project source color when mesh healing destroys texture UV map



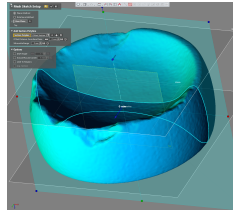


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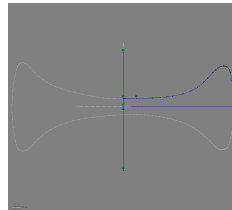
- **Parameterization:** extracting the parameters that mathematically define geometric objects
- Example: Chunkey Stone Scan Data



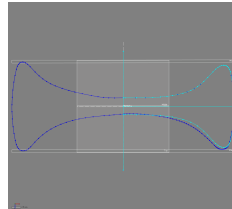
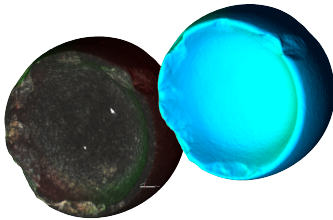
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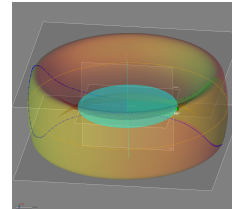
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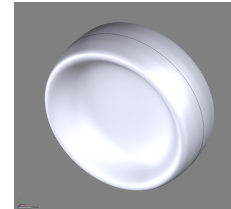
3. Sketch 1/4 Profile



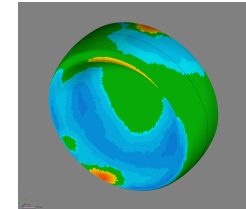
4. Mirror to 1/2 Profile



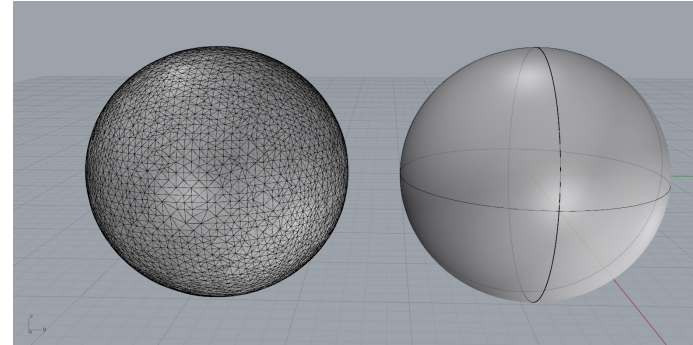
5. Revolve



6. Finished Part



7. Deviation Map

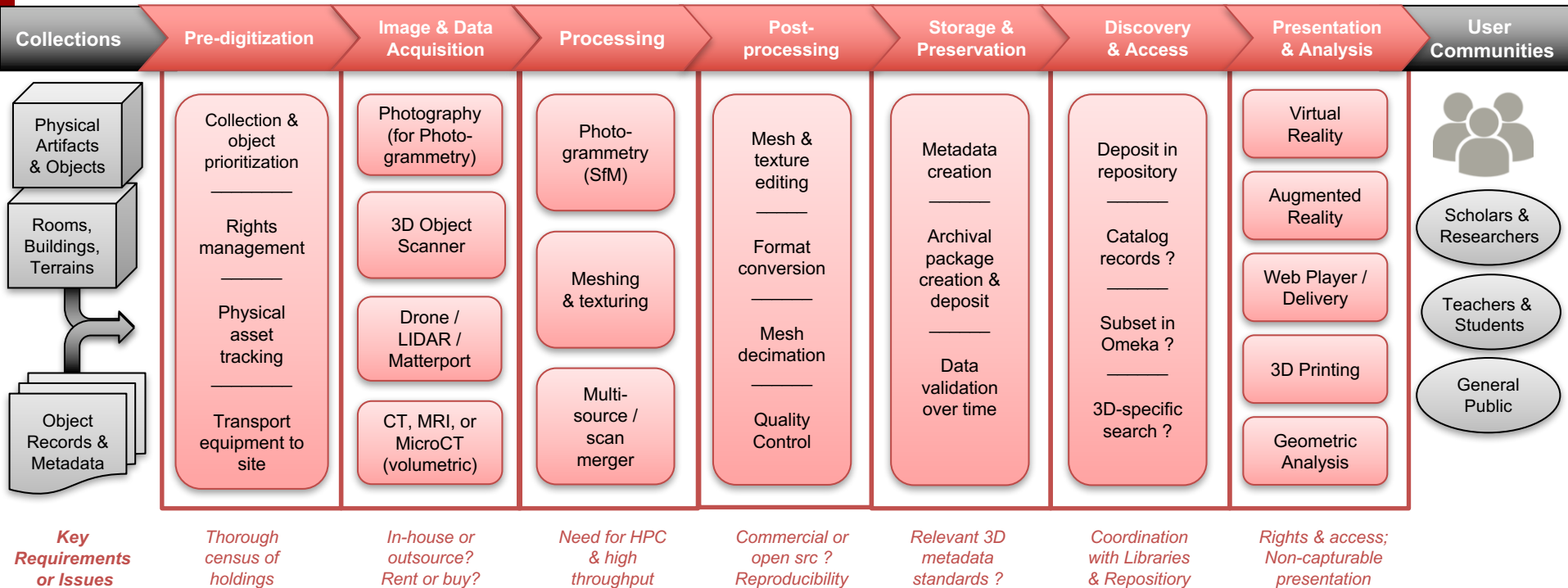


Points and Polygons

Sphere

# A Complete 3D Digitization Workflow

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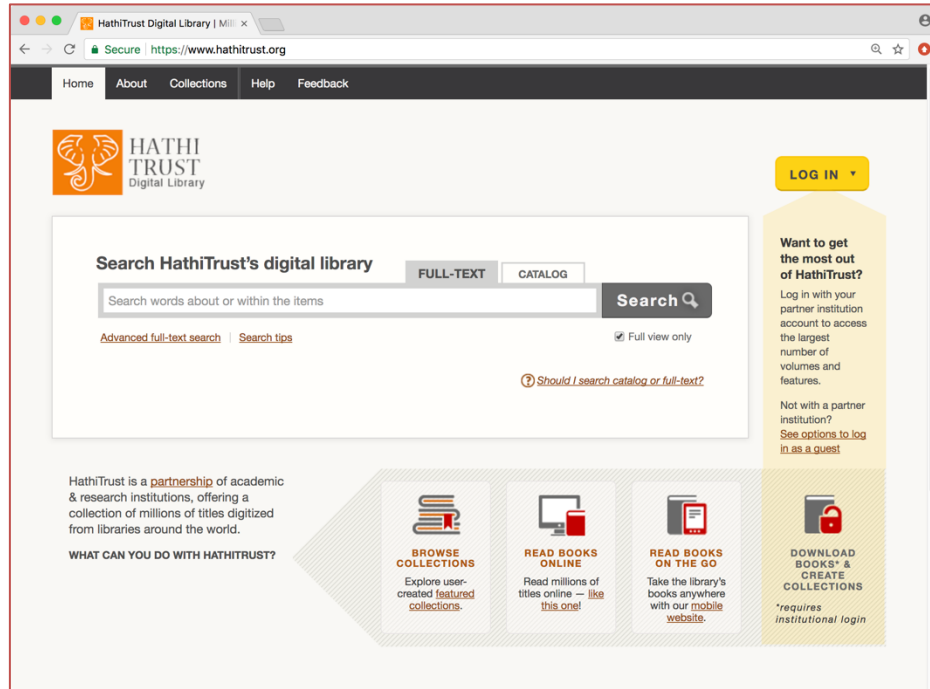


(by E. Wernert; adapted from IU MDPI Workflow)



# HathiTrust & HathiTrust Research Center

- HathiTrust: 2008
  - Google Books project & 13 CIC universities
  - 16.7M volumes; 6.2M in public domain
- HTRC: 2011, IU & UIUC
  - Enable very-large scale text mining and analysis
  - Non-consumptive research methods for in-copyright works
- Issues
  - **Non-consumptive methods**, rights mgmt, metadata quality, search & access, dirty OCR, biases in collection, ...



# IU Media Digitization & Preservation Initiative

- University-wide initiative; 2012 survey of holdings: over 750,000 items
- Deterioration of media; obsolescence of formats or playback equipment
- **Phase 1:** 325,000 audio & video (93% done); **Phase 2:** 25,000 films (24%)
- Partnership with Memnon (Sony): high-throughput formats: ~85%
- IU technicians: 1:1 and specialty formats: ~15%



## Pre-digitization

Before audiovisual media objects can be digitized they need to go through a number of preparatory steps.  
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## Digitization

MDPI is pursuing a dual strategy for the digitization of IU recordings.  
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## Post-digitization

After files are digitized, they must be checked and transcoded (converted to other formats suitable for access).  
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## Quality control

Quality assurance (QA) and quality control (QC) are key steps in the MDPI workflow.  
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## Storage & preservation

Audio and video content digitized in both the Memnon and IU digitization facilities is stored in IU's Scholarly Data Archive (SDA).  
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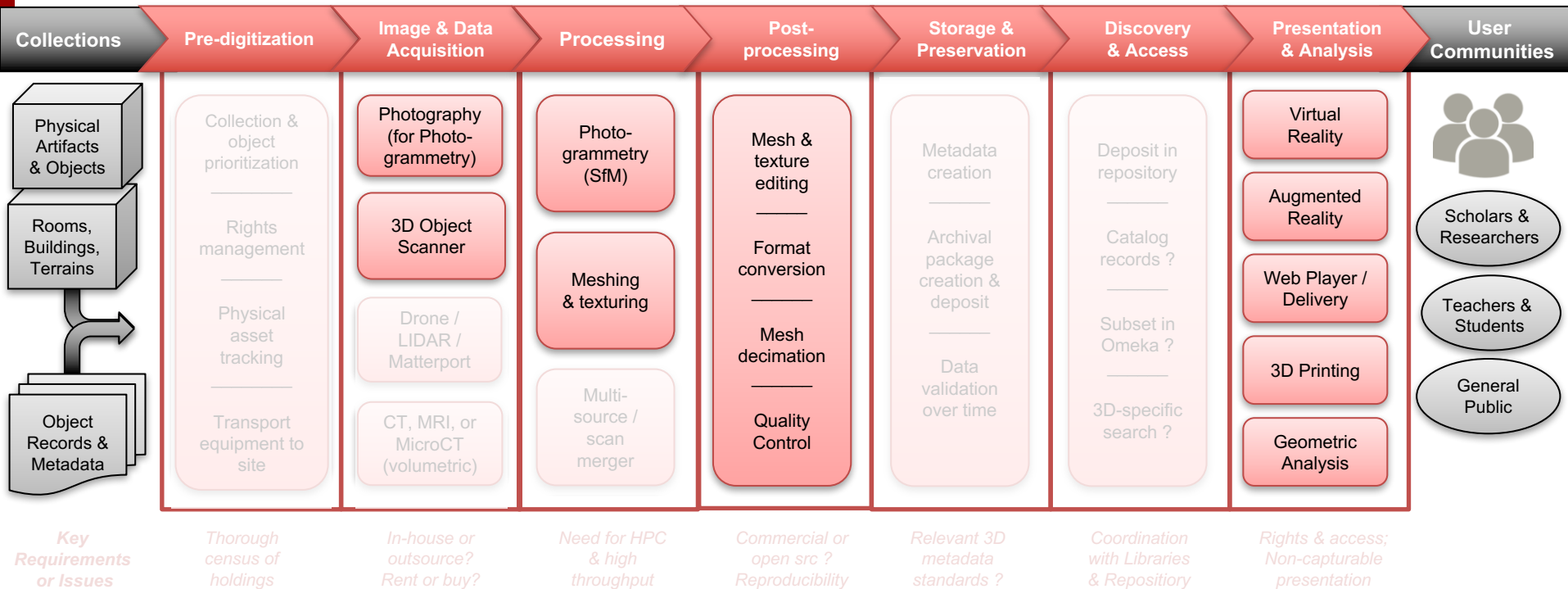


## Discovery & access

IU is using the Avalon Media System to provide online access to audio and video content digitized as part of MDPI.  
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# 3D Digitization Workflow



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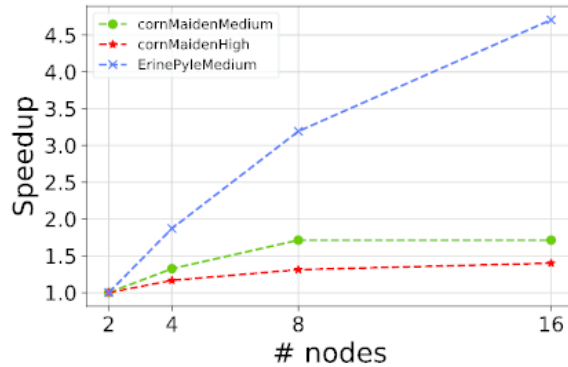




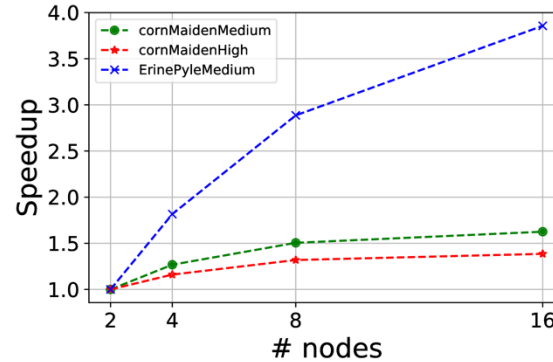
# Experiences & Results

# Experiences with IU Photogrammetry Workflow

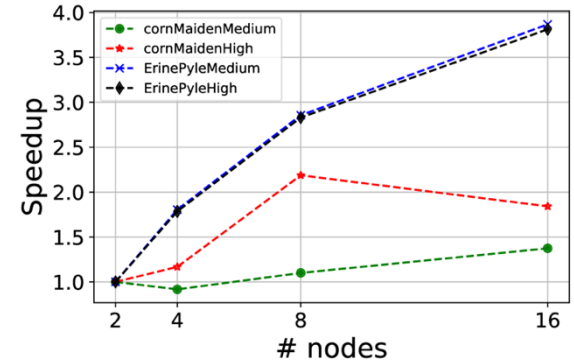
## Multi-node scaling analysis (with PhotoScan)



Karst



BigRed II



Carbonate



# Experiences with IU Photogrammetry Workflow

- **# of Jobs – 919** (Spring Semester 2018)
  - Many run by students
- Runtime in mins
  - mean: 140, **median: 27**, max: 1800, min: 1
- Requested # nodes
  - mean: 6, **median: 4**, max: 30, min: 1
- # of photos
  - **max: 14,261**, min: 63



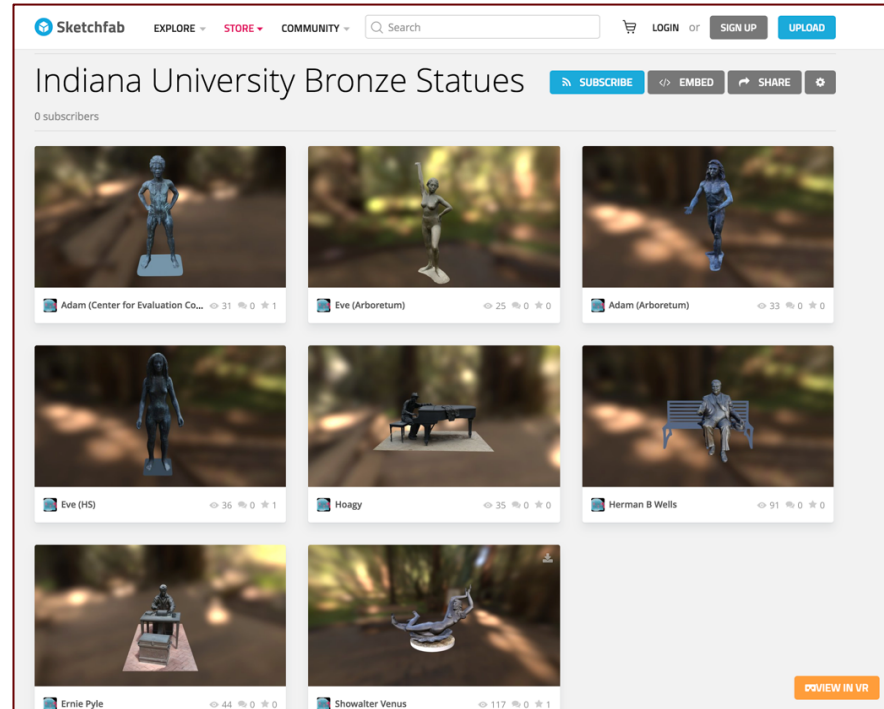
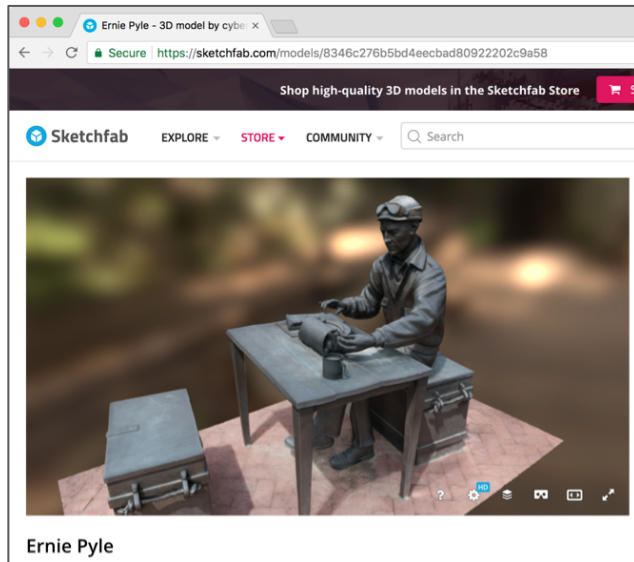
# Expanding our workflow

- Initial benchmarking of PhotoScan on Stampede2 (TACC)
  - Comparing KNL and Skylake portions of system
  - Per-node memory limitations can be an issue
- Open source tools in the works
  - MVE, OpenMVS, OpenMVG, etc.
- AliceVision running on Google Cloud Platform
  - Many newer open source packages require modern GPU support
  - GPU support in the works for IU



# Web collection on SketchFab

- Bronze Statues of IU

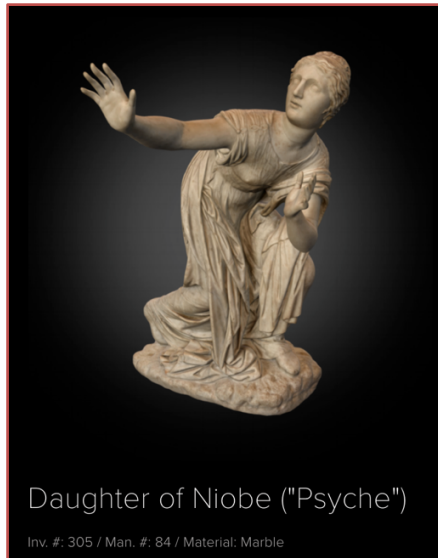


<https://sketchfab.com/cyberdh/collections/indiana-university-bronze-statues>



# Web collection on SketchFab

- Uffizi Digitization project
- <https://www.digitalsculpture-uffizi.org/>



## Identifiers

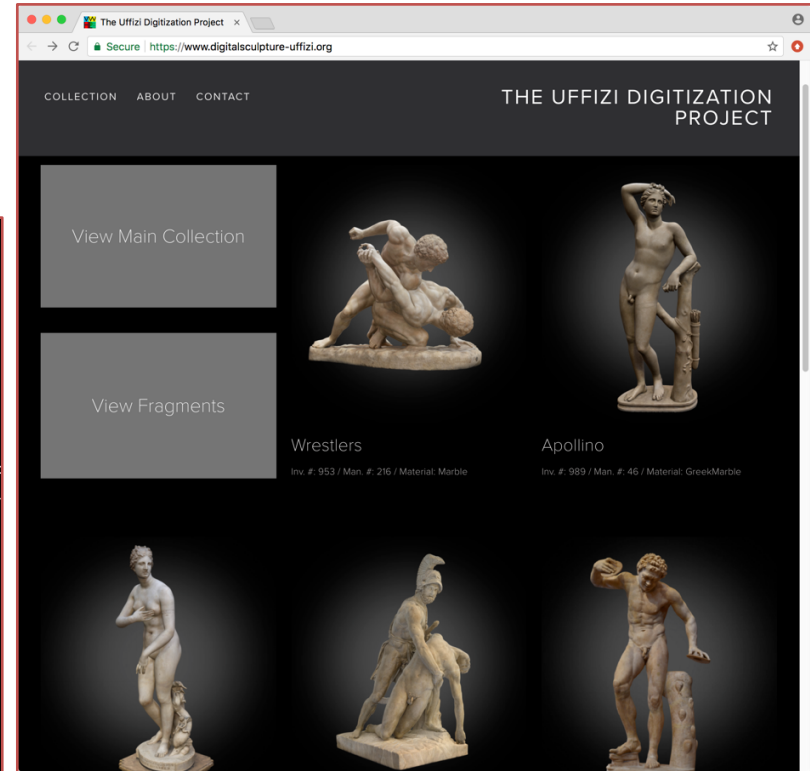
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- *Mansuelli:* 1.84

## Characteristics

- *Format:* Statue
- *Artist:* Roman copy of a Greek original attributed to Scopos
- *Date:* Roman copy of a Greek original dated to 4th century BC
- *Materials:* Marble
- *Inscription:* n/a
- *Dimensions:* W 79 cm; L 46 cm

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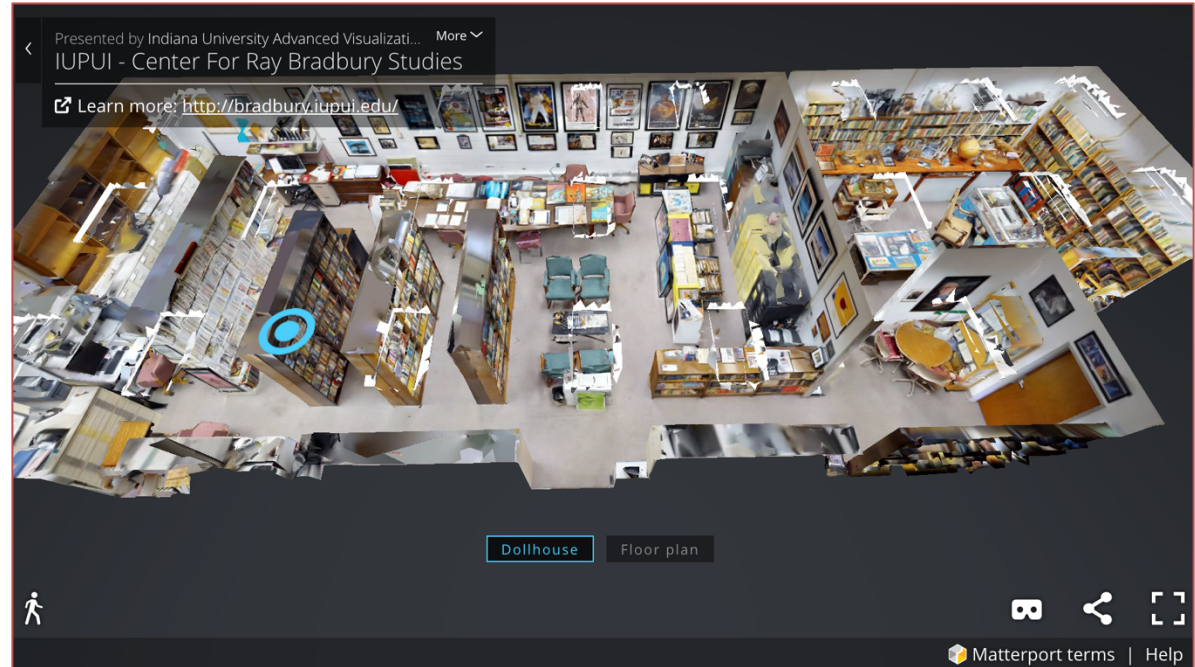
- *Camera:* Nikon D810 with Nikkor 24-85mm F/2.4-4 lens.
- *Photographer:* Whitney Johnson
- *Reconstruction Software:* RealityCapture, ZBrush
- *Modeler:* Whitney Johnson





# Web collection on Matterport

- Center for Ray Bradbury Studies
- Cavanaugh Hall, IUPUI

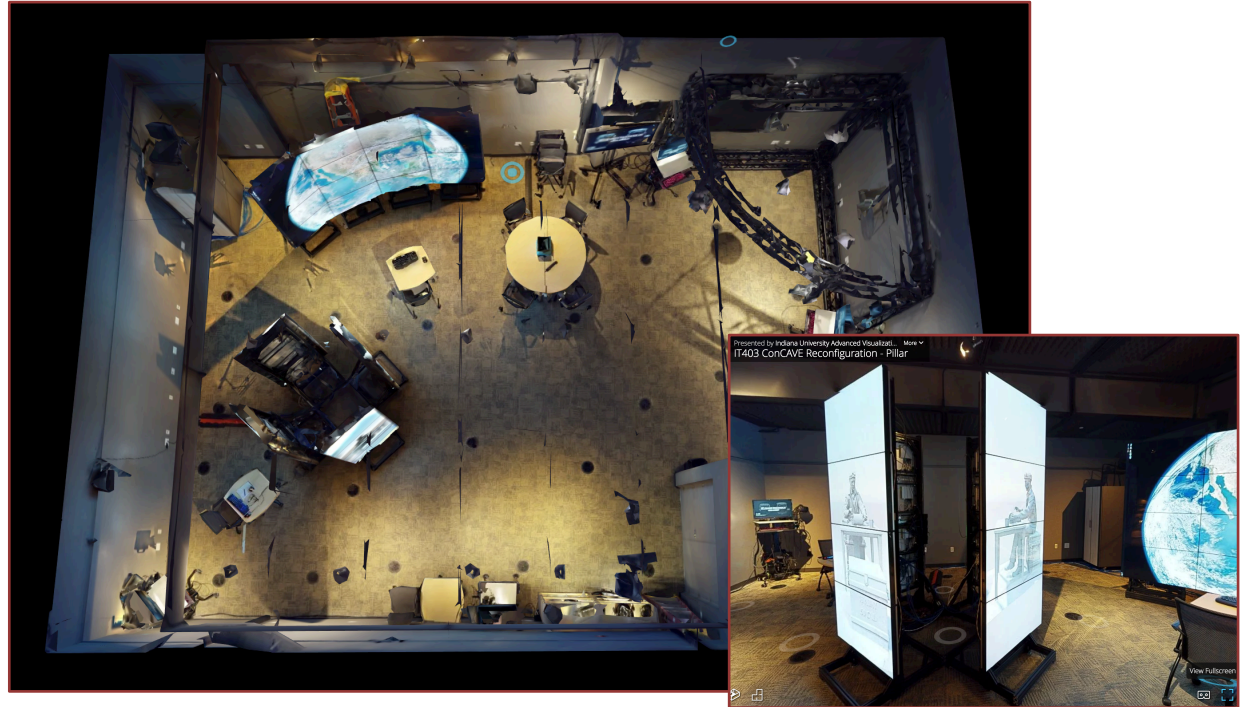


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# AVL Flagship Facility (NEXT Lab @ ICTC)

- NEXT =  
New,  
Emerging, and  
eXperimental  
Technologies
- IQ-Wall can be  
reconfigured  
(e.g., pillar  
configuration  
for SC'18)

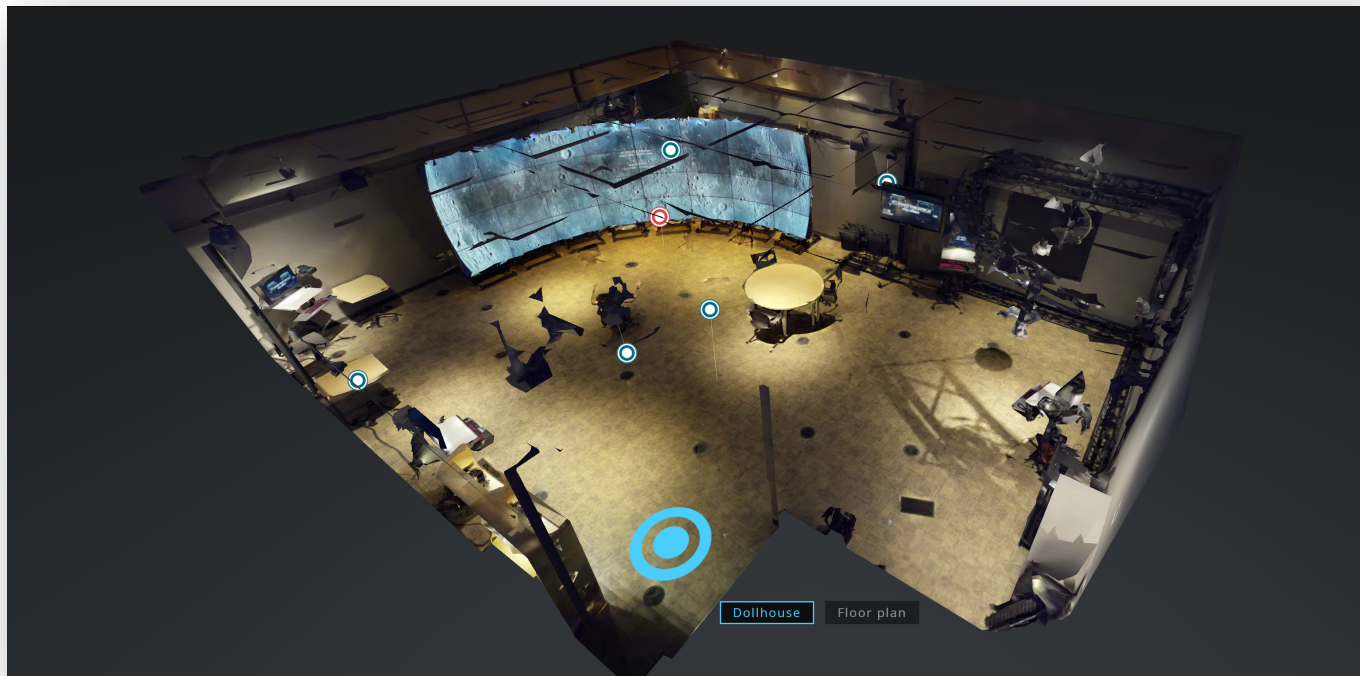


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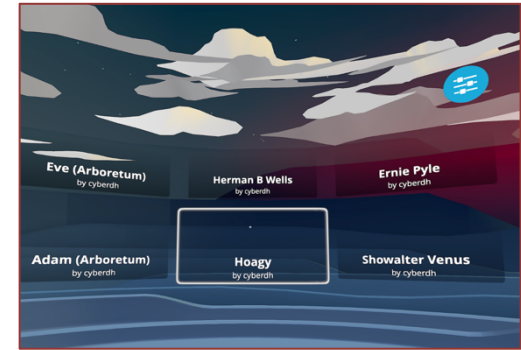
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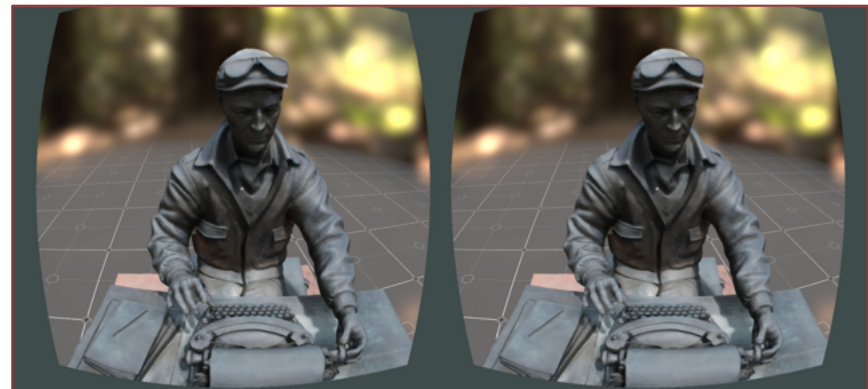


# Virtual Reality applications

- Virtual objects, virtual museums, site visits
- Issues:
  - App development (role of Web VR, existing apps)
  - Decimation: quality vs. speed



Matterport – Indiana Medical History Museum



Sketchfab – Ernie Pyle – Phone app or WebVR





# Augmented Reality applications

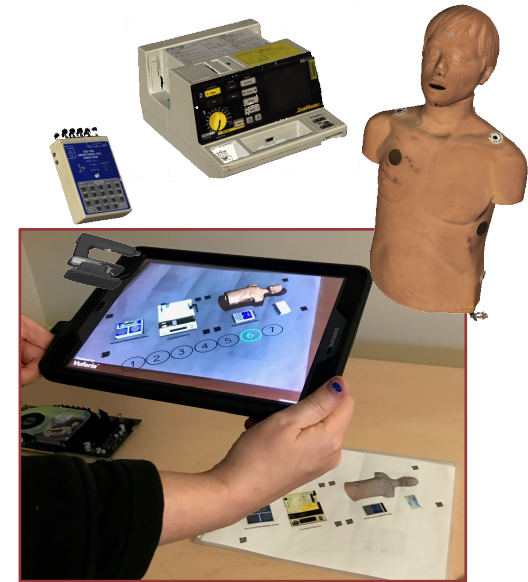
- Augmented posters, physical exhibits, augmentation of real world, simulation & training, just-in-time documentation
- Issues:
  - App development (role of Web tech, existing apps)



*Paleontology scans*



*3D modeled CAD files*



*Procedural training*



# 3D Printing





# **Conclusions & How to apply to your work**

# Conclusions

- 3D digitization is important and valuable for
  - digital preservation and documentation
  - research, scholarship, education, and outreach
- For large collections, it should be done systematically and at scale
  - should also incorporate data management and metadata solutions
- Even for one-off research projects...
  - standardization improves data sharing and reproducibility
- Photogrammetry is the most accessible / broadly applicable 3D digitization method
  - but it requires coordinated cyberinfrastructure resources to perform at scale
- Properly managed and acquired 3D assets are just the beginning
  - many relevant toolchains: VR, AR, Web, 3D print, etc.



# Ongoing Work

- Implement additional, open-source photogrammetry packages
- Leverage national cyberinfrastructure (XSEDE) to open availability to all
  - Jetstream (IU, TACC)
  - Stampede2 (TACC)
  - GPU-enabled systems
- Expand documentation & implementation of other stages of the pipeline
  - photography, post-processing, dissemination methods, etc.
- Develop resources & interfaces for the national community
  - Community allocations & Jetstream images – 3-6 months
  - Science gateway / portal – 18-24 months

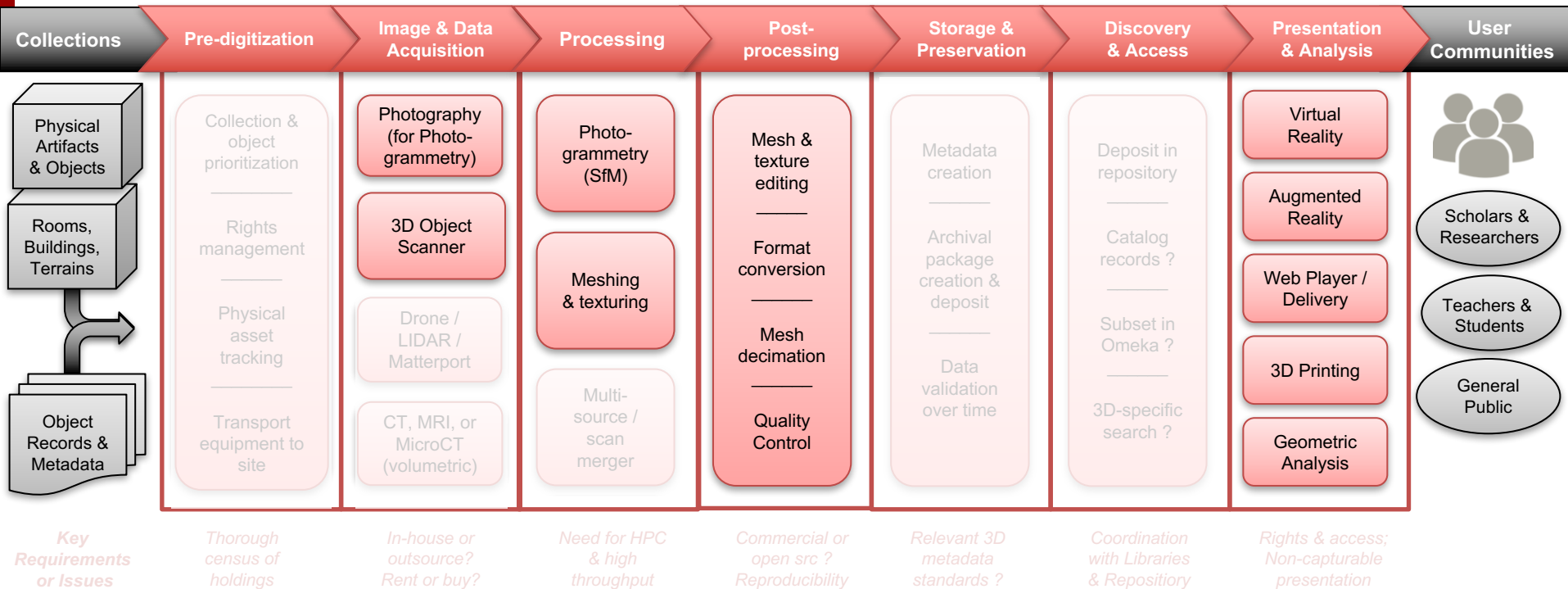


# 3D digitization & your work @ IU

- Available to all – at no charge
  - Initial digitization consultation (choosing a path to 3D) – AVL or CyberAH
  - Photogrammetry w/ Photoscan on Carbonate + photography best practices
  - Post-processing workflow documentation
    - Currently: VXElements, Zbrush, Geomagic, Meshmixer, 3D Slicer
- Limited availability – scheduling & training required
  - 3D structured light scanner & computer (Creaform GoScan + VXElements)
  - Matterport scanner for rooms & building interiors
  - Advanced photogrammetry photography kit (light tent, lights, turntable, etc.)
- Working with multiple objects...
  - Single object or very small collection – we may do it for you
  - Multiple objects or open-ended collection/project – we train you and provide resources



# 3D Digitization Workflow



(by E. Wernert; adapted from IU MDPI Workflow)



# Estimated amount of effort required (per object)

- Photogrammetry:
  - photography (15-30 minutes) – your own equipment on your own schedule
  - processing (10-15 min interaction + 1-8 hours unattended processing) – on IU HPC systems
- Scanning:
  - Scanning and processing - 25-45 minutes; based on shared scanner schedule/availability
- Post-processing
  - Clean-up: 20 minutes / 2 hours / 2+ days (min / avg / max)
    - depends on object complexity, quality of digitization, and desired quality of final model
  - Metadata & data management: TBD, estimated 15-45 min
- Utilization
  - Sketchfab / Web repository – 5 minutes - upload & config
  - VR/AR - 10 minutes to several weeks, depending on level of customization
  - 3D print – 30 minutes to several hours, depending on object complexity & print technology
  - Geometric analysis – 0 minutes – ready to use in most analysis packages





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